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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to an Examiner's first Action in the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new claims 21-29, such that pending claims 1-29 are as follows:

A method of guest-selected recording of television programs in an entertainment system having a head end and a plurality of guest terminals connected by a distribution system, the method comprising:

transmitting, from the head end to a guest terminal, a schedule of television programs;

transmitting, from the guest terminal to the head end, program recording selection data representing a program selected by a guest for recording;

creating a digital file representing the program selected; storing the digital file;

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